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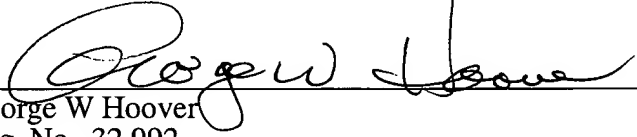
Claims 1-3 have been canceled and new claims 4-12 have been added. Applicant submits that the subject matter of new independent claim 4 is fully disclosed in the preceding applications and that prior art subsequent to the original filing date of February 12, 1992 is not relevant to the examination of this claim.

Favorable action is respectfully requested at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

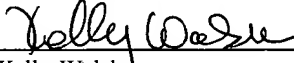
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